

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 7007

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to commend and honor the University
School boys' cross country teams.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to specially recognize and commend those successful athletic teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the University School boys' middle school and high school cross country teams, led by Co-Head Coaches Emily Skelton and Gene Cahill, along with Coach Sean Hoyle, are two such estimable teams that evince great sportsmanship and athletic excellence in all their endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the highly accomplished and athletically gifted young men of the University School high school boys' cross country team have elated their many fans this season by placing ninth at the TSSAA A-AA State Championships, an improvement of seven places from 2004; and

WHEREAS, this is an especially remarkable achievement when considering the young age of the team, which relies on support from the boys' middle school cross country team; and

WHEREAS, one member in particular of the high school team achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2005 season; Zac Jenkins had the highest individual finish among his teammates at the State Championships with an 11th place run; he was also named All Conference, placing in the top ten; All Region, also placing in the top ten; and All State, placing in the top fifteen; and

WHEREAS, the future also seems bright for the University School middle school boys' cross country team, which is a strong force led by veteran Alden Collins and newcomer Carter

McVeigh, both eighth-graders, along with seventh-graders Kimu Elolia and Trevor Augsburg; and

WHEREAS, the University School middle school boys' team elated their many fans with an undefeated record in eight meets with Tennessee teams throughout the season; the team's only non-first place finish was at the Bristol Cross, where they placed second; and

WHEREAS, the remarkable young men who comprise the University School high school boys' cross country team are: Cameron Brittig, Andrew Burke, Evan Collins, Zac Jenkins, Chris Lee, Will McConnell, Luke Patton, Scott Peeples, Jackson Shelnut, David Smith, Michael Smith, Ethan Vicars, and Hays Wexler; and

WHEREAS, the following young men are proud members of the University School middle school boys' cross country team: Trevor Augsburg, Alden Collins, Kimu Elolia, Christian Gordon, Austin Herron, Samuel Hopson, Darnell Jones, Carter McVeigh, and Brian Smith; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that we pause to honor these outstanding young student athletes for their hard work, determination, and team unity; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we congratulate Co-Head Coaches Emily Skelton and Gene Cahill, Coach Sean Hoyle, and the University School middle school and high school boys' cross country teams for their many achievements and honors during 2005, and wish them much continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.